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Richmond Football Club

Sixty-First

Annual Report

and

Balance Sheet

Season 1945⁷¹
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To be presented at Annual Meeting at the Richmond Town
Hall on Wednesday, 13th February, 1946, at 8 p.m.

H. J. DYKE, President

J. M. FLEMING, Hon. Secretary

OFFICE-BEARERS, 1945

President: H. J. Dyke, Esq.

Vice-Presidents:

- M. J. Bolger, Esq., R. H. Dunn, Esq., J. H. Jones, Esq., Hon. P. J. Kennelly, M.L.C., F. E. O'Brien, Esq., Senator J. M. Sheehan.

Committee:

L. J. Goring, R. Harris (resigned 31/7/45), R. Healey, P. C. Langdon, W. A. Quinn, J. Titus (resigned 31/7/45), C. Callander (on 31/7/45), J. J. Smith (on 31/7/45).

Players' Representatives on Committee:

Messrs. R. Bawden, J. Dyer, B. Edwards, and W. Morris (proxy delegate).

Richmond Cricket Club's Representative on Committee:

Mr. L. Sinclair, Mr. W. Smith (proxy delegate)

Delegate to Richmond Cricket Club:

Mr. J. H. Jones

Richmond Second Eighteen Representative on Committee:

Mr. J. Joyce, Mr. L. Ford (proxy delegate).

Delegate to Richmond Second Eighteen:

Mr. J. H. Jones

Victorian Football League Representatives:

Messrs. H. J. Dyke and R. H. Dunn

Chairman of Committee: Mr. F. E. O'Brien.

Hon. Solicitor: Mr. F. E. O'Brien.

Auditor: W. J. Doig, Esq., Chartered Accountant (Aust.)

Hon. Medical Officer: Dr. P. L. Grogan.

Hon. Masseur: Mr. Gordon Chivers.

Hon. Chiropodist: Mr. R. Burton

Playing Coach: Mr. J. Dyer.

Timekeeper: Mr. W. Stanbrough. **Assist. Timekeeper:** Mr. L. Gordon.

Captain: Mr. J. Dyer.

Vice-Captains: Messrs. B. Edwards, R. Bawden, and C. Priestley.

Training Room Staff:

Messrs. I. Booth (Head Trainer), J. Evans, W. Hawley, N. Healey, F. Hegarty, A. Keyhoe, and W. McDonald.

OFFICE-BEARERS (Continued)

Door Steward: Mr. L. Cameron.

Boot Studder: Mr. C. Gregson. **Asst. Boot Studder:** Mr. K. Day.

Property Steward: Mr. C. Callander.

Asst. Property Steward: Mr. P. O'Shannessy.

Players' Property Steward: Mr. C. Le Guer.

Hon. Transport Officer: Mr. A. Salvado.

Selection Committee:

Messrs. P. J. Kennelly (Chairman), J. Dyer, B. Edwards, R. Harris (off 31/7/45), J. Titus (off 24/4/45), H. Dyke (on 24/4/45), R. Dunn (on 31/7/45).

Finance Committee:

Messrs. F. E. O'Brien (Chairman), M. J. Bolger, R. H. Dunn, J. M. Fleming, and C. E. Turner.

Executive Committee:

Messrs. M. J. Bolger, R. H. Dunn, H. J. Dyke, J. M. Fleming, P. J. Kennelly, F. E. O'Brien, and C. E. Turner.

Social and Patriotic Committee:

Messrs. H. J. Dyke (Chairman), J. M. Fleming, L. J. Goring, R. Healey, J. H. Jones, and C. E. Turner.

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. C. E. Turner, 32 Young St., Kew (Haw. 2482).

Hon. Asst. Secretary: Mr. M. J. Bolger, 74 Railway Rd., Carnegie.

Hon. Ticket Secretary: Mr. P. C. Langdon, 49 Ormond Road, Moonee Ponds.

Hon. Social Secretary: Mr. R. Healey.

Honorary Secretary:

Mr. J. M. Fleming, 85 Hoddle Street, Richmond, E.1
(Phones: J 2818, F 3189)

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICE-BEARERS, SEASON 1946

VICE-PRESIDENTS (2 required):

Martin Bolger and Senator J. M. Sheehan.

COMMITTEE (2 required):

Charles Callander and William Quinn.

Annual Report of the Committee of Management, 1945

To the Members of the Richmond Football Club,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that your Committee submits for your approval the Sixty-first Annual Report and Financial Statement covering the activities of the Richmond Football Club for the year 1945.

Our team did not have the success it had achieved in past seasons, but this was to be expected as there was a general levelling-up of the teams in the Victorian Football League, which is all to the good of our great game. It is always pleasing to the Executive of League teams, which have had continued success on the field, to see other sides strengthening, thus ensuring closer contests, a better standard of football, with consequent increased gate receipts and memberships. Thus the performance of North Melbourne in reaching the Final Four met with the approval of all football followers, and the Committee of that side is to be congratulated on a fine performance in building up such a strong team.

With the defeat of the Nazis and the Japanese, Peace is again restored to us. Each day more and more players, who had enlisted to serve their country, will be released and will receive a warm welcome from their Committees and former team-mates. The game is going to benefit from the experience gained by these lads, and it is certain that football will be on a higher plane than in the war years. Our Club has been carrying a big training list during the war, but Peace will see a reversion to the old standard list of players, and, with so many talented lads offering, it is going to be a difficult task to make senior football in the coming years. This will all be for the good of the game as the class of football must naturally rise. We will cordially welcome back all former players from the Services and see that each receives an even chance of again playing with their old Club.

Summarising the 1945 season, it shows that the side won only 11 games, losing nine, but the unfortunate injuries sustained midway in the season caused a loss of form in the later games; the Tigers only winning three of the last nine games played. Losing to Footscray by 10 points in the first match, defeating North Melbourne by only five points, and then again losing to South Melbourne by 20 points lost a number of members to the Club. However, we recovered to defeat Melbourne, Hawthorn, Essendon, Carlton, and St. Kilda before being forced to lower our colors to Collingwood, in which game we lost the services of Sel Murray early in the match through injury to his knee, from which he never fully recovered.

Then followed wins against Fitzroy and Geelong, a loss to Footscray by 28 points, a win against North Melbourne easily, a loss to South Melbourne followed by a win against Melbourne by 13 points. Then started the slump which caused the loss of our place in the Finals, as the team lost to Hawthorn, Essendon, and Carlton in succession. Although we won against St. Kilda easily, we were again defeated by Collingwood in the last game of the home and home series.

Only having the services of George Smeaton in three games, due to his service duties, was a loss, but supporters will be pleased to know that George is due back shortly and should be available for 1946, as will Ron Durham, who has made a splendid recovery from his knee injury, thanks to the expert attention of Life Member, Mr. Ernie Saunders. Ron will receive a warm welcome when he again runs out on the field.

We again appeal to our supporters to become members of the Club, and to also induce their relations and friends to purchase membership tickets. By doing this, they not only save themselves money but give splendid financial assistance to the Club, as, with the exception of the 6d. V.F.L. levy on each adult ticket, we retain the whole of the purchase money.

We are certain that we will again have a fine side, and assure our members that led by dashing Jack Dyer, as Captain and Playing-Coach, we will play a prominent part once more in the premiership fight for the coveted V.F.L. Pennant.

MEMBERSHIP

Our Ticket Secretary, Percy Langdon, and the Committee set out with an objective of 5,000 members for 1945, and almost reached this goal. Losing two out of the first three games had a very detrimental effect on the sales as many football followers are fickle and will not become members of a team likely to have a poor season. These supporters still follow the side, but pay weekly at the gates from which your Club receives about 25% as against the 10/- from each membership ticket.

A special effort was made and a letter forwarded to all 1944 members who had given us their addresses. The letter appealed to them to continue their membership and asked that friends be induced to become members, too. In addition, a circular was delivered to every home in Richmond and this also had a fine effect on sales of tickets. An appeal was made also to scholars to become junior members and met with a fine response (4,144 adult tickets and 589 junior tickets were sold). The Club is very fortunate in having a splendid body of business people acting as ticket agents, and we are appreciative of their efforts to help us.

We thank Mr. Langdon and his assistants, particularly mentioning A. V. Barwood, Les Gordon, Norman Eyre, Laurie Langdon and all members of the Committee and friends of the Club who assist each week at the commencement of the season. A number of good supporters also assist by selling tickets on lay-by at factories and in Richmond among friends. We again thank Mr. Mick Fleming for an excellent individual effort.

His Excellency, Sir Winston Dugan, Governor of Victoria, continued to be our Number 1 Ticket Holder and during the year attended several functions at the ground in connection with the Charity work of the V.F.L. His Excellency is a keen follower of Australian Rules football and during his term as Governor of the State has visited the ground to see games in which his side has been playing. His Excellency was also Acting Governor-General of Australia pending the arrival of His Royal Highness, the Duke of Gloucester. We understand that the term of office of Their Excellencies expires in 1946, and on behalf of the members of the Club we express to them our sincere thanks for the interest taken in the Tigers. We wish them continued good health.

PRESIDENT

So much has been written in previous Annual Reports of the generosity of Mr. Harry Dyke, your esteemed President, that members must be aware of his sterling qualities and his thought and care for the welfare of the committee, players, and staff of the Club.

Harry has just completed his sixth year as our President, but prior to that had been a Vice-President for many years, and also one of the finest Social Secretaries the Tigers have ever had. Players and their welfare have always been his first consideration, realising that a contented list means success on the field. He has also carried this thought into the training room where he is highly respected by all members of the staff.

Almost every week there is one or more cash prizes for the players as a special inducement to do that little extra for the side, and from the countless friends and donors he has introduced to Richmond come many more valuable trophies which are eagerly sought by our players.

In another portion of this report will be found a brief report of the Trip to Adelaide. This visit could never have been made if it had not been for the generosity of Harry Dyke. With a little help from a few other good friends, but mainly from his own purse, Harry paid the fares of every player, including several by air, to give the players a trip to South Australia. It is doubtful if this has ever been done before by anyone in the history of the League, but when entertainment in Adelaide was added to this, it completed a most successful visit. Words fail to express the gratitude to Harry Dyke of those who were fortunate enough to make the trip.

Many other little acts could be recounted, but they are too numerous to mention in this report. Suffice is to say that it is the heartfelt wish of all at Richmond that Harry continues as our President for many years to come. We take this opportunity of thanking him for his outstanding generosity, and congratulate him on his fine attributes which make him the best President in sport in Australia to-day.

TREASURER

With increased membership, our Treasurer, Charlie Turner, was again one of the busiest Executives in the League, but performed his many duties with credit to himself and his Club. Charlie is one of the most capable officers the Richmond Football Club has had, and each year receives the commendation of the V.F.L. auditors for his efficient and careful handling of the books of the Club. He has now completed nine excellent years as our Treasurer.

V.F.L. DELEGATES

Our thanks to our Victorian Football League representatives, Messrs. Ray Dunn and Harry Dyke. Ray replaced Frank O'Brien, who was forced for private reasons to vacate his position after splendid service over many years; Ray represented the Club on the Finance and Propaganda Committees, whilst Harry Dyke gave invaluable service to Richmond on the Permit and Umpire, and Adverse Weather Committees. We are most grateful to both these gentlemen for their work for the Club, and add a special word of thanks to Frank O'Brien for his untiring work at the League table for the Tigers.

FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

Once more the work of these two Committees was combined, and the following gentlemen are deserving of your highest commendation for their handling of the administrative and financial work of the Club: Messrs. M. J. Bolger, R. H. Dunn, H. J. Dyke, J. M. Fleming, P. J. Kennelly, F. E. O'Brien (Chairman) and C. E. Turner. The duties of these Committees are many and varied, but our splendid financial position reflects credit on these men who give so much time to handling the affairs of the Club.

SELECTION COMMITTEE

Comprising our Selection Committee at various times throughout the season; Messrs. P. J. Kennelly (Chairman), R. Dunn, H. Dyke, R. Harris, J. Titus, J. Dyer and Bert Edwards had an unenviable task. Faced with more injuries than ever before in the history of the Club, they were yet able to keep the side within striking distance of the Finals by careful selection of promising young players blended with the more experienced players. We thank the members of this Committee for their application to their duties.

CAPTAIN AND COACH

Jack Dyer was unanimously elected Captain and Playing Coach for the fifth successive season in his 15th year with the Club.

Jack has given great service in his 240 games in which he has kicked 251 goals. His able leadership and fearless play proved an inspiration to the team, particularly in view of the number of first and second year players on the list and, although unable to take the side into the Finals for the first time since coach, proved to our supporters that the young Tiger team will be a force to be reckoned with in the coming seasons.

In recognition of 15 splendid seasons with the Club, Jack will receive his 15 years' certificate at the Annual Meeting, and also a special presentation trophy from good supporter, Tom Crisp. We are confident that Jack Dyer has quite a few seasons of good football left, and now that he has become a local business man he will be able to concentrate more on his duties as playing coach of the side. We congratulate Jack on behalf of all Richmond supporters on his splendid record with the Tigers, and trust that he will continue to give his valued services to us for several more seasons.

VICE-CAPTAINS

Your outstanding wingman, Bert Edwards, was elected by the Committee to fill the Vice-Captaincy for 1945, but Bert had an unfortunate season with injuries and was not able to give of his best for the side. He has played 122 games in his eight years, and has been an outstanding wingman of the League for the whole of that time. Whilst Bert was unavailable Bob Bawden acted as Vice-captain and, on one occasion, Captain, whilst Charlie Priestly also acted on one occasion. Bob Bawden has played 107 games and Charlie 85 games, since being recruited from country districts, for the Tigers, and both are splendid clubmen. We thank Bert, Bob and Charlie for their help and co-operation with Jack Dyer in managing the side on the field.

PLAYERS

Realising that the movement of players in the Services would again play a big part in the organisation of the team, the Selection Committee again recommended to the General Committee that we

retain a full training list of 40 players, a senior supplementary list of 11, and a junior supplementary list of 12. It was fully realised that this would be a heavy financial drain on the Club, but there were so many promising junior players offering it was considered advisable to hold them on the training list as players, and to play them with the various junior clubs associated with us, and also with the Cubs.

The list was adjusted from time to time during the season, and a number of players were cleared to other sides, the most notable being Jack Titus, to Coburg, where he had an excellent season; Dick Harris, to Williamstown, where he played a big part in their premiership; Jack Crane and Roy Quinn, to North Melbourne, where both players did very well and helped that side to make the Finals. Don Balfour and Des Negri were cleared to us from Collingwood and both should prove acquisitions to the side, whilst Jack Scott returned from Williamstown and played a few games, but was unable to find that fine form shown in previous seasons and retired midway through the year. Sel Murray, from North Melbourne, proved an acquisition.

We extend the thanks of the Committee to all the players who were on the 1945 training list for their efforts for the Club, and in particular the older players who remained loyal to the Tigers, although in some cases lucrative offers were made to entice them away to other teams. The full training list which varied at times during the year contained the following players: Jack Dyer, Bert Edwards, B. Barry, Bob Bawden, Don Benson, Don Balfour, Kev. Barnewall, Ray Bower, Fred Burge, Jack Broadstock, Jim and Stewart Cartwright, Fred and Keith Cook, Kevin Curran, Ken Don, Vic. Fisher, Ron Durham, Don Fraser, Ian Hull, Arthur Kemp, Leo Maguire, Leo Merrett, Arthur Mooney, Bill Morris, Sel Murray, Des Negi, Max Onby, Bill Perkins, Ray Potter, Charlie Priestley, Brian Randall, Bill Rochford, Wally Russell, Noel Ross, Bill Roach, Des Martin, Laird Smith, Jack Scott, Jack Sullivan, George Smeaton, Gordon Styles, Jack Turner, Bern Waldron, Bob Wiggins, Bill Wilson and Eric Zschech. On the supplementary lists were Vic Bowes, Stan Cato, Cec. and Wally Cook, Ron Evans, Keith Jenkins, Eric Malone, Bill Nolan, Jack Meade, Ray Poulter, Jack Watson, Noel Magee, Kevin O'Connell, Jack O'Rourke and Claude Plain.

COMMITTEE

It is the boast of Richmond that our Committee is one of the happiest and most co-operative Committees in the Victorian Football League. Each member has his own particular duty for the Club and enjoys his appointed task in the interests of the Tigers. This happy feeling has been responsible over the years for the great success of Richmond not only on the field, but in the social, charitable and patriotic efforts of our community. Many of the Committeemen are associated with various Patriotic or Charitable efforts in Melbourne, but do not neglect their Club duties. It was indeed pleasing to welcome former Secretary, J. J. Smith, back to the Committee and also Charlie Callander, who has given such fine service in the management of Richmond. These gentlemen replaced former players, Jack Titus, now with Coburg, and Dick Harris, of the successful Williamstown Club, who resigned during the season to play with the clubs mentioned.

The Players' Representatives, Bob Bawden, Jack Dyer, and Bert Edwards, with Proxy Delegate, Bill Morris, are sincerely thanked for their attention to the requirements of the players, whilst Mr. Les Sinclair, R.C.C. Delegate; Proxy Delegate, Mr. W. Smith; and Messrs. Jim Joyce, Cubs' Delegate, and Proxy, L. Ford; are also deserving of your highest commendation for their assistance to the Club.

TRAINERS AND STAFF

Amendment to the Laws of the State necessitated a change in the method of appointing the training-room staff, and it was pleasing to find our capable masseur, Mr. Gordon Chivers, available to take charge of the room; with him as Supervisor of training-staff being Mr. Irvine Booth, formerly Assistant Head Trainer. Your Committee in the early part of the season purchased a number of appliances for the treatment of injuries, and installed same in the training-room. These were a decided help in getting players fit and ready for games more speedily than in former years. Associated with Mr. Chivers and Mr. Booth were trainers Jim Evans, Bill Hawley (back from R.A.A.F.), Nick Healey, Frank Hegarty, Albie Keyhoe and W. (Scotchy) McDonald, who also did excellent work for the players.

We wish to thank former Head Trainer, Bob Davall, who resigned after many years' active work for the Tigers, and former trainers, Mark Noble and Mal Wishart, for their services to Richmond. It is the intention of the Committee to nominate Messrs. Davall and Noble for Life Memberships within the next few years in recognition of their excellent work for Richmond.

Our Door Steward, Mr. Lou Cameron, who has been associated with us for nearly 40 years in an honorary capacity, has been very ill, but members will be delighted to know that Lou is recovering and hopes to be in his old position when the coming season commences. Our thanks to the following members of our staff who continue to serve the Tigers so capably: Mr. W. Stanbrough (Time-keeper), and Mr. Les Gordon, his assistant; Mr. Alex Salvado, Transport Officer; and his co-worker, Mr. Bob Ellis; Charlie Callander, Property Steward; and Pat O'Shannessy, his assistant; Charlie Gregson, Boot Studder; and assistant, Ken Day; Cyril Le Guier, Players' Property Steward; and a newcomer in Hon. Chiroprapist, Bob Burton.

We again wish to express thanks to Mr. Charlie Callander, now a Committeeman, who continued to serve Richmond as Property Steward. The training-room of the Club runs like clock-work, thanks to Charlie who is always ready to assist and advise players, and particularly the new lads. With the list at such huge proportions during the war, the duties undertaken by the Property Steward are trebled, but there has never been a complaint from this efficient official. Charlie seems to have the happy knack of being friendly, but firm, and players know that there are no favorites and that all receive similar treatment. With Pat O'Shannessy and, at times, Jack Chandler, Junior, he forms a team which is the envy of other clubs, and one of which we are justly proud at Richmond. We trust he will continue to be an official of Richmond for many years. His 27 years with the Club is a fine record, and we are most grateful to Charlie for his work for the Tigers.

HONORARY MEDICAL OFFICER AND HONORARY MASSEUR

Dr. P. L. Grogan again officiated as Medical Officer for the Club, a position he has now held for some years. A very good friend of the players in the care and attention of their health, Dr. Grogan combines splendidly with your Committee and the training-room staff. On one occasion this season 21 players were unavailable through injury and illness. Dr. Grogan and Mr. Gordon Chivers, your Hon Masseur, gave their undivided attention to the players, and within a week had all available with the exception of three severe leg injuries. Mr. Chivers, in a digest of his work for the season,

showed that he had treated privately for the Club almost every player on our list, and treatments totalled 272. We are deeply grateful to both gentlemen for their work for the Tigers.

BEST AND FAIREST FOR 1945

On the weekly vote of the Selection Committee following each game, Bill Morris easily won the Best and Fairest Trophy. Although Bill only played in 15 games he had a margin of 54 votes over the runner-up, Leo Merrett. The unfortunate injury to his leg midway through the season caused Bill a lot of pain and inconvenience. Almost daily he was under the care of our training staff in an endeavour to get him right for the important games toward the end of the season. Although he made a good recovery, he was not the force in our side that he had been early in the year. Bill, with Leo Merrett, won selection in the Victorian side to visit Adelaide, but unfortunately was unable to play there as he suffered a recurrence of his knee injury.

There is no fairer player in the game today than Bill Morris. His outstanding ruck work has won him the acclaim of all followers of our game, whilst his marking is the equal of any in the League today. Tiger supporters will be delighted to know that he is now 100 per cent fit and eagerly awaiting the 1946 season. Bill will receive the Jack Jones' Trophy for the best and fairest at the Annual Meeting, and with it will go the congratulations of all lovers of a great player, with best wishes for further successes in the years ahead.

J. D. LANGDON CUP

Awarded by the Richmond Football Club for the best and fairest player in the Cubs, this handsome trophy was won by one of the coming young players of the side in Bill Rochford, a dashing back player. Bill, who was recruited from the North Kew Club two years ago, is only 19 years old, and has won a reputation for his dash and courage with the Second Eighteen. More will be heard of this lad in 1946.

TROPHY DONORS

For quite a number of seasons a keen body of supporters has shown their interest in the Club and the players by making available weekly trophies. For some years past these trophies have been pooled, and players share equally on the basis of the number of games played. In addition a number of valuable trophies were donated for certain of the games and allocated each week by the Selection Committee. We are specially indebted to Messrs. Arthur Hunt, Doug Stewart, Johnnie Smith, Jack Jones, Harry Dyke, Stan Steele, Jim Macdermott, Ray Dunn, Claude Woods and George Caldis (Benalla) for these trophies, and desire to also express the gratitude of the players to the following good supporters of the Club: Messrs. R. L. Beatty, Jim Cook, J. Chandler, Snr., A. Cousland, George Dyke, Denzil Don, Tom Crisp, D. Duffy, Capt. A. Dunn, Ted Farrell, Maurie Fleming, A. Creighton, Les. Goring, G. H. Gardiner, Mr. Gleeson, George Hook, Jack Hunt, Hughie James, Mrs. W. Jones, Dick Kelly, Albie Keyhoe, Pat Kennelly, Cr. Jim Loughnan, Bob Healey, John McMahon (3UZ), Mr. Marriner, Bill Nutt, Frank O'Brien, R. J. Pearn (Brisbane), Ted Reidy, Clarrie Robertson, Stan Reid, H. L. Roberts, Bill O'Brien, Alex Salvado, Mr. Scott, Senator Jim Sheehan, Eli Phillips, R. J. Turnbull, Colonel R. J. Wallis, Ben Welch and Dave Wright. Our thanks also to a number of anonymous donors.

ANNUAL TROPHIES

Best and Fairest	Mr. J. H. Jones	Bill Morris
2nd Best and Fairest	Mr. Arthur Hunt	Leo Merrett
3rd Best and Fairest	Mr. Denzil Don	Fred Burge
Best Back Man	Mr. Eli Phillips	Max Oppy
Bill Cosgrove Memorial	Mr. Harry Dyke	Don Fraser
Most Reliable	Mr. A. Salvado	Arthur Mooney
Most Unselfish	Hon. P. J. Kennelly	Jack Dyer
Most Consistent	Mr. H. L. Roberts	Bern Waldron
Most Improved	Mr. Bob Healey	Noel Ross
Most Determined	Mr. Ray Dunn	Bob Bawden

SPECIAL TROPHIES

15 Years' Service	Mr. Tom Crisp	Jack Dyer
Special Trophy	Senator J. M. Sheehan	Charlie Priestley
"	Mr. Clarrie Robertson	Leo Maguire
"	Mr. Bill O'Brien	Don Balfour
"	Mr. Ted Reidy	Bill Wilson
"	Mr. Frank O'Brien	Bill Perkins
"	Mr. Bob Turnbull	Sel Murray
"	Cr. Jim Loughnan	Stewart Cartwright
"	Mr. A. Creighton	Jack Broadstock
"	Mr. Claude Woods	George Smeaton
"	Mr. Les Goring	Bert Edwards
"	Mr. W. Campbell	Don Fraser
"	Mr. Gleeson	Don Fraser
"	Mr. Arthur Hunt	Bill Morris
"	Mr. Arthur Hunt	Noel Ross
"	Mr. George Hook	Charlie Priestley
"	R.F.C.	George Mahomet

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

No fault will be found with the nominations for Life Memberships this year. The Committee unanimously selected Mr. Jack Jones, Vice-President; and Mr. Ernie Saunders, former Head Trainer and great friend of the Club for many years. Mr. Jones has been associated with the Senior Eighteen and the Cubs in official positions for some years, and in addition represents us on the R.C.C. Committee. Jack has been one of the most generous trophy donors in the history of the Club, and the homes of the players fortunate enough to receive these is ample proof of this generosity.

Ernie Saunders was Head Trainer and associated with the training staff of the Club for many years. His service could never be measured in the skilled attention given injuries in that time to players, not only of Richmond, but all League sides, and to sportsmen and sportswomen throughout Australia. This skill eventually won him a trip with an Olympic Games team from Australia to Europe, and provided an opportunity to exhibit his capabilities for many athletes on the other side of the world. Although not connected officially with the Tigers for quite some years, he has been ever ready to treat any Richmond player or junior of the District, and always in an honorary capacity. His skill and kindness has endeared him to all football lovers, especially at Richmond. Congratulations to two fine sportsmen on attaining Life Membership.

15-YEAR PLAYER AND 5-YEAR PLAYERS

Jack Dyer joins an honored band when he receives his 15-year certificate at the Annual Meeting, the only other recipients being Jack Titus (18 years), Perc Bentley (16 years), the late Victor Thorp

(16 years), and Hughie James. The service given by Jack to Richmond has made him worthy to receive this honor, and at the Annual Meeting, members will be given an opportunity of showing their appreciation when he receives his certificate.

Five-year certificates will be given Leo Maguire, Brian Randall, and Laird Smith (recently returned from active service). All have given our side excellent football in the games played, and they have also been fine men in the clubroom. Leo came originally from Dixie, a town near Terang in the Western District, and has played 64 games, mostly in the important centre half-back position. He is one of the best marks in the game to-day, whilst his driving left-foot kicks cover great distances. Brian Randall was recruited from Richmond District side and originally was considered a full-forward, but developed into a ruckman and centre half forward. Tall and slim, Brian has had his share of the hard knocks of our game, but is full of courage and in his 50 games has given many splendid exhibitions of marking and kicking. Laird Smith, cleared from St. Kilda in 1939, was away from Richmond in the A.I.F. for three years, but has been able to participate in 65 games. Laird has given his best football as a wing half-forward, but has also shone as a rover. We congratulate these three fine players on gaining their 5-year certificates.

RICHMOND CRICKET CLUB

Our thanks once more to Mr. Jim Macdermott (President), Percy Maybury (Secretary), and the Committee and staff of the Richmond Cricket Club for their co-operation with your officials in the interest of sport in our District. The co-operation and cordial feeling existing between both bodies has made for the success of football and cricket in Richmond. We are specially grateful to the R.C.C. this year for the additional financial assistance given to enable us to meet the extra expense brought about by the programme of 20 games. Members may not be aware of the fact that in the Patriotic round arranged by the League, our Club does not participate in the distribution, the whole of the proceeds after all expenses for staffing, insurances, taxation, etc., going to Patriotic Funds mentioned elsewhere in this report.

The assistance given your officials in the Patriotic and Charity work by Mr. and Mrs. Percy Maybury and our other good friends of the Cricket Club will not easily be forgotten. We also pay a special tribute to the new curator, Mr. Nick Hosking, for his co-operation and his untiring work on the ground.

RICHMOND SECOND EIGHTEEN

Our Club is most happy in its associations with kindred bodies and the relations existing between 1st and 2nd Eighteen Committees are of the best. To Mr. Bob Knapp (President) and Mr. Jim Joyce (Secretary) go our sincere thanks for their efforts on behalf of the Club. Both are ever ready to help in all matters, and although over the years of the war they have had to suffer much inconvenience and discomfort in losing our ground as a playing medium, they never once complained. They will be able to resume playing at home in 1946, and members can look forward to the Cubs finishing much higher on the premiership ladder than in the war years. Coach was Bob Williams, former Hawthorn player, and Richmond cricketer, who did a good job under trying circumstances Bob was unfortunate to suffer injury himself causing him to lose a number of games.

Socially the Cubs have no equal in any sport, and the splendid entertainments arranged by their Social Committee were always well-attended by senior representatives who are all invited to attend. For these splendid Sunday mornings, and evening entertainments, we wish to thank the energetic Committee of the Cubs. We wish them lots of luck and success in 1946.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL IN DISTRICT

For the first time in some years the Eastern Suburban League formed, and a number of clubs in our district participated. It was pleasing to see the progressive Burnley team again playing under the capable leadership of Mr. Arthur Daws (President), Les Watts (Secretary), who resigned as Treasurer of the Cubs to assist his old club, and Bruce McKissock, as playing coach. Burnley finished runners-up and had a most successful year. Deepdene and North Kew were other sides to do well, and we should have some talented players from this competition in the coming seasons.

Richmond United.—Formerly known as the Imperials, this fine junior side entered the Sub-District League and won the Premiership in the first year, and completed a highly successful season. With one of the youngest playing Coaches in football in George Mahomet, the United gave some splendid displays during the year and will have a number of talented young players available to have a try-out this season with the Tigers and the Cubs. George played grand football himself and proved a capable leader. He will receive a Special Trophy at the Annual Meeting from the Tigers. The administrative side of this club is on a par with any senior side and the Executive Officers in Cr. J. L. Cremean, M.L.A., President; Vic Hill, Hon. Secretary; and Jack O'Connell, Assistant Secretary; did a fine job for their club and for football in Richmond. An especially fine performance was their defeat of a 2nd eighteen side at Richmond City Reserve in a Patriotic game when a number of our 1st eighteen players played with the Cubs. The Premiership Social held at the Richmond Town Hall and Annual Prize distribution was a grand night and thoroughly enjoyed by the supporters and visitors present.

Richmond District.—Although not as successful as in the previous year, the District again made the finals under Coach Joe Reilly. Joe had a hard season as he had to practically rebuild his side after winning the 1944 pennant. Many of the players made their way into senior ranks, particularly into Association first eighteens. Congratulations to the executive officers of the club and the players for a courageous season. After all, only one side can be premiers, and it was pleasing to see the Premiership Pennant of their competition stay in Richmond for the second successive year.

Richmond Recruits.—Vin Dyer, manager, also had a difficult task in his under 19 section of the Melbourne Boys' League, as many of the 1944 premier side had to transfer to other open-age teams, due to their age. However, with a number of promising young lads, Vin again built an even side which eventually won its way into the grand final only to be content with the position of runners-up. Ron Evans, best and fairest of the side, will receive the Richmond Football Club Trophy for his performance and this will be presented at the Annual Meeting. Ron also won the best and fairest in the Melbourne Boys' League curtain-raiser section.

Junior Football.—We have been notified by Mr. Fred Fanning, Hon. Secretary of the Kew Football Club, that his club is re-forming and will enter once more in the Sub-District League. This is splen-

did news and will give us three sides in this competition. We wish the Kew Club every good luck and trust that they will quickly regain their former high position on the premiership list.

A number of other junior sides functioned in the District, notably those connected with the Opportunity Boys' Clubs, C.Y.M.S., Y.C.W., and other Churches' competitions. We wish them all further successes in 1946.

MELBOURNE FOOTBALL CLUB SHARING GROUND

It has been a pleasure to your Committee to have the privilege of assisting our neighbors in the Melbourne Football Club by sharing our ground. This has been done with the ready co-operation of the Richmond Cricket Club, and its executive officers, headed by Mr. Percy Maybury. It was also pleasing to see our old friend and Life Member F. V. (Checker) Hughes as non-playing Coach of the Demons, and his work was reflected in the standard of play of the side. We wish to pay a tribute to Mr. Joe Blair, President; Mr. Jack Chessell, Secretary; and to Mr. Percy Beames (now retired), of the Football Club; and to Mr. Vernon Ransford, Secretary of the Melbourne Cricket Club; for their readiness at all times to co-operate with your executive officers.

Now that the Melbourne Football Club is returning to its own headquarters and ground we take this opportunity of wishing them success in the games ahead.

PLAYERS' PROVIDENT FUND

The Committee unanimously decided to pay the sum of £358 to the Players' Provident Fund as a donation from the General Funds in token of the splendid services given by the players in 1945. The fund is now in a sound financial position, having £500 in the Commonwealth War Loan, and £1,149/0/7 in the State Savings Bank. This money is the property of the players and is recompense to them for the service they have given the Club in many cases over a long period of years.

CONDOLENCES

1945 saw the passing of one of the great men of the Richmond Football Club in the late Mr. H. L. (Lou) Roberts. A Life Member of the Victorian Football League, the Country Football League, the Richmond Second Eighteen, and our Club, he had also been President of the Country Football League, Richmond Football Club, and the Second Eighteen, and senior Vice-President of the Victorian Football League. Lou had managed several visiting Victorian Interstate sides and was well-known and beloved in sporting circles in Australia. Over 25 years of his life had been spent assisting the Tigers and Cubs, and many of the grand players of other days were brought to us by his tact and hard work. To his sorrowing widow and family, we offer our deep and sincere condolences.

Two other great friends of Richmond in the late Chris Dwyer and Hon. Bert Cremean, M.L.A., are sadly missed. In all of the Patriotic and Charity efforts at Richmond, Chris Dwyer was always the foremost with his generous donations and untiring work to ensure success. We tender our sympathies to Mrs. Dwyer and Mrs. Cremean and their families.

Condolences also to Mr. Jack Weston, former Vice-President, who suffered the loss of his wife, who was well-known in football circles in Richmond, and a grand worker for the Tigers and Cubs.

Our keen supporter and friend, Lieut. Tom Derrick, V.C., D.C.M., was killed in action. We deeply regret his death, as Tom was a National hero. Our deepest sympathy to his sorrowing widow and parents.

We offer to all other members and supporters of Richmond who have sustained bereavements either at home or in the Services the deep and sincere sympathy of the Committee, Players and Staff of the Club.

THE SERVICES

With the war brought to a successful conclusion by our gallant Allies and our own boys, we now eagerly look forward to meeting all of the players who enlisted in the Services and who should shortly be with us once more to enjoy the Peace they so bravely fought for.

Almost daily former players are returning, and are receiving a warm welcome from our executive officers. Many of them have expressed a keen desire to get back into the yellow and black uniform to have a try-out and see if they can beat the present day players for a place in the team. We assure them all that they are most welcome and that they will be given every chance at Tigerland.

Among the players to return recently are Norman Dickson, W. (Fatty) Fyfe, Ian Hull, former player Stan Judkins, Charlie Milgate (after four years P.O.W.), Phil Nagle, Maurie O'Connell, Mick Paton, Jack Quinn, Bob Walliker, Les Jones, Geoff House, and Bill Whyte, all of A.I.F. Alan Bayliss, Frank Howard, Doug Williams and soon, we hope, George Smeaton, all of the Navy, whilst Alan Lewis is also reported to be returning soon. From the R.A.A.F., Ray Alexander, D.F.C.; Frank Bourke, Jack Hill, now playing cricket with St. Kilda; Ray Hunt, Jack Leyden, Kevin O'Neill, Wally Russell, and Jack Sullivan. One of the former Tigers to receive a great welcome late last season and to play a few games with the Cubs was champion centreman Eric Zschech. A number of the young players have yet some time to serve, but are hoping for early discharge.

We take this opportunity of thanking these players for the service given our country by which they brought honor on their Club and themselves.

VISIT TO ADELAIDE

To the great delight of the players a trip was arranged to Adelaide by President Harry Dyke. At a meeting of the Victorian Football League shortly after the overwhelming defeat of the Victorian side in Adelaide by a South Australian team, Mr. Dyke notified the League that he was prepared to take a team from our Club across to avenge this defeat. Permission was readily granted by the V.F.L. for the visit, and Harry immediately commenced arrangements. To his must go the credit for the outstanding success of the trip. Not only content with the paying of the fares of 35 of the party, he also arranged numerous social functions in Adelaide, and trips to the Beaches and Hills.

The party was away for nine days and did not have one dull moment. To Mr. Bob O'Neill and his good wife must go first word of thanks. Their beautiful home at Kensington Park was made available to the party, and several evenings were held, all being a great success. Bob formerly played with the Cubs and the Tigers and he lets everyone in Adelaide know that he is proud of his old

Club. To the Committee of the North Adelaide Club for the Dance after the game at Prospect in their fine club-rooms, and to the Committee of the Norwood Club for the pleasant Sunday morning arranged at their ground, go our best thanks. Both were excellently organised, and enjoyed by all of the party. Mr. Tom Hill, Secretary, South Australian Football League and his executive also did their utmost to make our stay a success, and we were tendered an official welcome by the League and assured of the freedom of the rooms of all South Australian Clubs. This was readily availed of by the members of the party.

The whole trip was managed by Mr. Dyke, assisted by Mr. Charlie Callander. We owe a word of thanks to Mr. Stan Steele and Mr. George Provan who made a donation to Mr. Dyke to see that the boys had some money for entertainment in Adelaide. Both gentlemen have been a tower of strength to the officials for some years.

The trip was possibly one of the most unique to ever be undertaken by any senior sporting body as after the fares were paid by Mr. Dyke for the players, all committee and guests paying all own expenses, the players paid their own board and out of pocket expenses on the trip. The cost to Richmond Football Club would not total more than about £15, surely the cheapest Interstate trip ever undertaken by a League Club. The party enjoyed the visit, and the arrangements as made above suited all in the party.

From a football point of view, the game was an outstanding success and the judgment of Mr. Dyke was vindicated as the Tigers easily defeated a selected South Australian side by 11-10, 76 points, to 2-18, 30 points. Played as a curtain-raiser to the second semi-final, and starting at 12.45 p.m. more than 15,000 spectators saw the start of the game, whilst at half-time, more than 34,000 were present, the crowd finally growing to 38,000, easily a record for a semi-final in Adelaide. The standard of play of our lads was excellent, and although Fred Burge, Bob Bawden, Don Balfour, and Wally Russell were unavailable through injuries sustained at hard training given them on the Thursday by Jack Dyer, a strong side was available. Outstanding in the game was Bill Morris, stated by some of Adelaide's best judges to have given the best display of marking ever seen in Adelaide, taking 37 marks in the game, with Leo Maguire, Jack Broadstock, Arthur Mooney, Don Fraser, Bern Waldron, George Smeaton, Bill Wilson, Max Oppy, Jack Dyer, and Fred Cook close behind him. There was not a weak player in the side, although several new lads played for us.

Officials of the S.A. League thanked your Club officially for bringing the side across, and giving such a polished display. From a financial point of view, it was a great help to South Australia as we refused to take any part of the gate receipts, donating it back to help the game in South Australia.

Several Colleges were visited and scholars addressed by Jack Dyer who received an enthusiastic welcome. Jack's leadership was highly commended by officials of the S.A. League. Mr. Bob Knapp, President of the Cubs, Les Goring and Max Oppy donated trophies which are to be presented later.

A photo was taken on the trip and each member in the party is to receive one as a gift from the Club, whilst opportunity will be taken later of showing the appreciation of all to Mr. Harry Dyke for his thought in organising the trip, and for his most capable managership of the party.

Richmond Football Club -- Income and Expenditure Account, Season 1945

EXPENDITURE

Team Maintenance:—

Players' Allowances, Sustenance, Loss of time, etc.	£1,872	14	5
Coach and Training Staff Wages	417	10	0
Richmond Football Club 2nd XVIII ..	227	8	4
Materials, Training Requisites	392	1	8
Medical Expenses, Masseur's Fee	176	4	0
Players' Insurance	117	16	1
Entertaining Players, Officials, etc.	168	17	7
Travelling Expenses, Cartage	349	9	8
Laundry	22	5	6
Refreshments	90	13	11
Delegates' Fees	2	2	0
Players' Provident Fund	358	0	0
	£4,195	3	2

Administration Expenses:—

Annual Meeting Expenses	£7	19	0
Printing and Advertising	210	6	5
Telephone and Telegrams	62	1	11
Stationery and Stamps	45	19	9
Insurance, Fire, Fidelity, etc.	11	11	9
Wreaths	5	5	0
Bank Charges	2	3	1
Secretarial Allowance and Expenses ..	150	0	0
Audit Fee	6	6	0
Repairs and Replacements	51	0	6
Presentations and Donations	36	7	6
Junior Football Clubs' expenses	122	1	4
Photographs	17	15	11
		728	18 2
Honorarias		146	10 0
Trips—Ballarat	£58	4	8
Adelaide	15	5	0
		73	9 8
Cleaning, Training and Committee Rooms		5	3 9
Commission on Sale of Tickets		16	5 0
Payroll Tax		41	7 9
Admission to Grounds		15	6
Depreciation—Furniture and Fittings		9	17 0
Balance to Accumulation Account		78	10 10
		£5,296	0 10

RECEIPTS

Membership:—

Sale of Tickets:

4,144 Adult Tickets at 10/6	£2,175	12	0
589 Scholars' Tickets at 5/-	147	5	0
	£2,322	17	0

Richmond Cricket Club Membership:

Payments as per agreement	537	12	0
	£2,850	9	0
Less Levy paid to V.F.L.	115	2	6

£2,745 6 6

Donations	172	15	0
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Gate Receipts:—

Matches, Home Ground	£296	11	11
Matches, Other Grounds	233	14	8
V.F.L. First Round Proceeds Trust	1,219	17	0

£1,750 3 7

Practice Matches	12	19	0
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1,763 2 7

Share of Second Round Proceeds:—

Finals	£875	0	0
Less Levies	323	1	6

551 18 6

Broadcasting Fee	25	0	0
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Interest on Treasury Bonds	37	18	3
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£5,296 0 10

RICHMOND FOOTBALL CLUB—BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1945

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
Loan from Trip Fund	£55 0 0	E. S. & A. Bank Limited	£278 1 1
Players' Premiership Medals	52 10 0	Commonwealth Loan	1,400 0 0
Players' Allowances in Trust	18 7 0	Furniture, Fittings, etc.	£98 9 0
Accumulation Account, 31st		Less Depreciation	9 17 0
December, 1944	£1,948 5 3		88 12 0
Plus—Surplus Season 1945 ..	78 10 10	V.F.L. Club Trust Account	386 0 0
	2,026 16 1		
	£2,152 13 1		£2,152 13 1

H. J. DYKE, President.

C. E. TURNER, Treasurer.

J. M. FLEMING, Hon. Secretary.

The President and Members, Richmond Football Club, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have to report that I have examined the Accounts and Transactions of your Club for the year ended 31st December, 1945.

I have been advised that the Club did not at the 31st December, 1945, have any liabilities other than those shown in the above Balance Sheet.

I have pleasure in advising that in my opinion, the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and correctly sets forth the true position of the Richmond Football Club at the 31st December, 1945, according to the information and explanations afforded me and as shown by the books of the Club.

W. J. DOIG, Auditor.
Chartered Accountant (Aust.), 31/1/46.

TRIP AND ENTERTAINMENT FUND BALANCE SHEET, 31st DECEMBER, 1945

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
Excess of Assets over Liabilities	£57 16 3	Amount owing from General Funds	£55 0 0
		Balance State Savings Bank	2 16 3
	£57 16 3		£57 16 3

RICHMOND FOOTBALL CLUB PLAYERS' PROVIDENT FUND, SEASON 1945

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
To Balance State Savings Bank	£870 5 5	By Payments to Players—	
„ Interest—		L. Ablett	£1 17 3
Victory Loan Bonds	£7 15 2	A. Brannan	9 3 10
State Savings Bank	11 5 7	J. Crane	1 14 2
	19 0 9	L. Cahill	3 11 2
„ Grant Richmond Football Club, Season		D. Guinane	3 4
1945	358 0 0	J. Hinson	2 1 4
		R. Martin	1 4 6
		A. McDonald	15 3 9
		R. Quinn	17 12 4
		J. Reilly	6 16 10
		J. Scott	38 17 1
			£98 5 7
		„ Balance State Savings Bank	1,149 0 7
	£1,247 6 2		£1,247 6 2

PROVIDENT FUND AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1945

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
Excess of Assets over Liabilities available to meet amounts credited to participants	£1,649 0 7	Commonwealth 3rd Victory Loan Bonds ..	£500 0 0
	£1,649 0 7	Balance State Savings Bank	1,149 0 7
			£1,649 0 7

DIGEST OF SALES OF 1945 MEMBERS' TICKETS

Sales—Adults	4,144	As issued by Printer:—	
Unsold—Adults	1,393	Adults	6,000
Life Members, Donors, Complimentary, etc.	459	Scholars	700
Tickets sent local firms (not returned)	4		
Sales—Scholars	589		
Unsold—Scholars	44		
Complimentary tickets sent to Schools	67		
	6,700		6,700

PATRIOTIC AND CHARITABLE EFFORTS

Although the sixth year of the war caused greater strain on the officials of the Club to do their administrative work, Patriotic and Charitable efforts were not neglected.

It will be pleasing to our members to know that the appeal conducted for the Red Cross Prisoners' of War Funds raised just on £10,000, a splendid co-operative effort, and one of which the Tigers are justly proud of. To all who helped in this appeal, we tender our thanks. They are too numerous to mention, but we also know that they worked for the Appeal because they felt it was a duty to the boys in prison camps and their relatives to put forth every effort to make it a success, and not one penny was taken from the amount raised for personal gain. Every worker was an honorary one. We would like to pay special tribute in this work to two grand men, Mr. Bob Turnbull, of the Richmond Red Cross and former Committeeman of the Tigers, and the late Chris Dwyer, who worked night and day for the Appeal.

From the Footscray game at Footscray, the Patriotic match, our share was £170. Some time ago we had promised to assist the Limbless Soldiers' Appeal with a game, but this was not possible, and so we donated the proceeds, our share of the game, to this deserving appeal.

On King's birthday, the League arranged a game, North of the Yarra versus South of the Yarra for the Blind Institute. By arrangement by Mr. Harry Dyke, the game was played at Richmond. Mr. P. Maybury being ground manager did an excellent job, and a splendid return of £1,350/1/1 was the result. Officials of the Tigers were to the fore in making the day a success, and several received Life Governorship Certificates for their efforts. Our congratulations to the Organisers, particularly Mr. John Murphy and Mr. S. Phelan of the Blind Institute for a wonderful effort, and to the officials of the V.F.L., the players, umpires, trainers, and other good sports who made the day a success.

We continued to work for Prince Henry's Hospital and the sum of money raised for this deserving Hospital in the past 10 years by the small and energetic committee known as the Sportsmen's Ward Fund is in the vicinity of £24,000. Individual members of our Committee with some of the players and staff have played a big part in this work. During the year two baseball carnivals organised by the Victorian Baseball Association with games against an American Navy side raised some £350. A football match between Association and League umpires with other attractions was a splendid success and the amount gained by this avenue was £410. The Umpires are to be congratulated for their fine work and their organisation was perfect. From the 25% share of the American Co-operation day celebration at Richmond in July another £250 was added to the Ward Funds. We are glad to be associated with the other good sportsmen and women working on this Committee.

Other institutions were helped in other ways, and although the war is ended there are still many avenues to which the efforts of our Club can be directed to aid deserving charities.

We sincerely thank the ladies and gentlemen who have worked so ably and so hard to assist us in our efforts. They share with us our pride in the achievements of the Tigers in Patriotic and Charity work.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

To Mr. Bob Healey and his co-workers in the social work we offer our most sincere appreciation. The war limited the many pleasant functions which had been a by-word at Richmond, but Mr. Healey was always on hand to provide some entertainment for the players.

Several picnics were held at Seaford where cricket games were arranged and thoroughly enjoyed by all present, whilst races for the children, ladies and the players were always popular. In addition through our good friend, Bro. Rahill of St. Kevin's College, we had the opportunity of playing several games on the picturesque College Oval at Heyington on Sunday afternoons. Our players won their share of the games and the functions did much to weld the good fellowship existing between the Tigers and the other clubs engaged.

A number of Saturday social evenings were held and a good number of guests assembled with us and enjoyed the hospitality of the Club, whilst the Socials organised by our good friends of the Second Eighteen Committee as stated elsewhere in the Report were always an outstanding success.

The Annual Christmas Tree on December 16 was attended by more than 120 children associated with the Club with their mothers and this happy little function enabled the wives of the committeemen, players and staff to get together and have a grand afternoon with their children. We are deeply indebted to Messrs. G. S. Moore and Fred Chatto, of Foy and Gibson, for allowing several of their display staff to decorate the Christmas Tree which was equal to anything on display in City stores. Our thanks to the two talented gentlemen who did the decorating. A number of items were arranged by Mr. Charlie Callander, whilst toys were arranged for by Mr. Chatto and Mr. Arthur Hunt. Mr. G. S. Moore also made a fine donation of toys for the children. Races were held for the children for trophies, and then refreshments in the form of ice cream, drinks, lollies, popcorn, etc. were enjoyed by all present. Father Christmas, Percy Langdon, then took over and assured the success of the afternoon by distributing the toys. Most of the work associated with the arrangements was in the hands of Messrs. Bob Healey and Charlie Callander, and to these Committeemen and the good friends who assisted them, we offer our sincere thanks.

The Christmas Social was held in the evening and was a splendid show. Although the liquid refreshments were not up to usual standard, everybody present took things in the real Christmas spirit. Among the many guests welcomed were our good friends, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Maybury, and Mr. and Mrs. Percy Mitchell, Fitzroy Football Club. Once more a little gift was presented every lady present, and greatly appreciated. At this function, Dick Harris was presented with his Testimonial mentioned elsewhere, and he received a fine ovation. Opportunity was also taken to welcome back several of our players from Service duties, and also Mr. Tom Mooney, a good supporter, who had been P.O.W. for over three years. All were given a great welcome. On behalf of the Club, Jack Dyer wished all present the Compliments of the Season.

The game against North Melbourne at Ballarat was played for Ballarat Charities and players present representing the Club gave an excellent display defeating North Melbourne comfortably. The financial return was a fine one and the Institutions assisted expressed their appreciation by conferring Life Governorships on Messrs. Harry Dyke, Charlie Turner and Martin Bolger. The whole of the

expenses were borne by the Clubs and so benefitted the proceeds for the Charities. Messrs. Charlie Turner and Martin Bolger were co-managers, and with Harry Dyke and Charlie Callander saw that everyone on the trip had an excellent week end.

The Sunday visit to Kilmore at the end of the season was also a great success. A game was played against a combined Kilmore District team at the Kilmore College Oval. This was won by the Tigers. At the dinner, held later that evening, appreciation was expressed by representatives from Kilmore for the trip and for the excellent football shown by our players which would greatly help the young players who had opposed us. A donation was left to assist the football in the district. Our thanks to Mr. Bob Knapp and other gentlemen who placed their cars at the disposal of your Committee. The trip was arranged by the Hon. P. J. Kennelly, M.L.C., and proved a most enjoyable outing.

We wish to tender our sincere thanks to Mr. Bill Quinn for his advice and assistance to Mr. Bob Healey on a number of matters on the social side this season.

CONGRATULATIONS

To the Hon. John Cain, M.L.A., in attaining the position of Premier of Victoria. Mr. Cain has been a great friend of Richmond for many years. We wish him good health and success for his efforts during his term of office.

The Hon. P. J. Kennelly, M.L.C., our Vice-President, who is now the Minister of Public Works and Electrical Undertakings. Football is Pat's hobby and he has been a decided acquisition to Richmond from the day he accepted the position of Vice-President some six years ago. He has the good wishes of all Tiger supporters for his success in his new office.

To Senator Jim Sheehan who was elected to represent Australia overseas on the Inland Transport Conference. A former official of the Australian Railways' Union, Jim had a wide knowledge of transport and was the logical choice of the Federal Government to represent Australia on this important International Conference.

The Secretary of the Victorian Football League, Hon. Like McBrien, M.L.C., also attained Cabinet rank in 1945, and whilst in that position gave most skilled attention to a number of pressing political problems affecting the State of Victoria.

Mr. Percy Mitchell of the Fitzroy Football Club has retired after six fine years as Hon. Secretary. Percy is one of the most capable football administrators in Australia and a born organiser. He represented his club on the V.F.L. when he became chairman of the important Permit and Umpire Committee. We wish him well for the future, and trust that after a well-deserved rest, he will again be back with his club in some official capacity assisting the Maroons to further successes.

To Tom Mooney, returned after three years in a Japanese Prison Camp, and to all other returned P.O.W's. We wish them well, especially Tom who is an ardent Tiger supporter.

To Mr. Jack Buckley, Fitzroy; Mr. Roy Russell, Footscray; and Mr. H. Taylor, St. Kilda, all newly elected to the position of Hon. Secretary of their respective clubs, and to Mr. Ivo Gibson, Geelong, recently returned from R.A.A.F. duties. We wish all success with the duties and efforts.

To the Carlton Football Club, and in particular to Coach Perc Bentley, Captain Bob Chitty, Mr. Ken Luke, President, and Secretary Harry Bell on the meritorious win of the 1945 Premiership. Also to South Melbourne, Collingwood, and North Melbourne on reaching the Finals.

Footscray Second Eighteen won the Second Eighteen Premiership after a fine season, and a splendid performance in the grand final.

To Fred Fanning, Melbourne, on winning the League goal-kicking for the second successive year. And for Fred Hughson on gaining the captaincy of the Interstate side to Adelaide.

With Dick Harris playing, we were interested in the performance of Williamstown in winning the V.F.L. Premiership. Congratulations to three fine sportsmen in Bill Dooley, President, Larry Floyd, Secretary; and Maurie Hearn, Coach. Messrs. Harry Dyke, Jack Dyer, and Maurie Fleming attended the Premiership social and represented the Tigers.

To Richmond United on winning the Sub-District Premiership, and to other junior clubs on a successful season.

To our Captain-Coach and splendid player Jack Dyer on completing his 15th season with the Club. A grand performance. To newly elected Life Members, Jack Jones and Ernie Saunders and 5-year players Leo Maguire, Brian Randall, and Laird Smith.

Bob Bawden completed his 100 games with the Tigers in 1945, and so also did Leo Merrett. Both have many more serviceable games still in front of them for our Club. Players Leo Maguire, Max Oppy, and Brian Randall also passed the 50 game mark. We thank all for their excellent service to Richmond.

To Life Members, former Committeemen and Players, Jack Titus and Dick Harris; and to Jack Crane and Roy Quinn for their success with their new clubs.

To our players Leo Merrett and Bill Morris and to Life Member, Jack Symons, now of Fitzroy, on gaining Interstate selection with Victoria against South Australia at Adelaide.

Players Jack Broadstock, Keith Cook, Don Fraser, and Les Jones all joined the ranks of benedicts and are now happily married. We wish them every success, with health and happiness for the future.

Best of good luck and congratulations to Kevin and Mrs. Curran, Harry and Mrs. Hewett, Leo and Mrs. Merrett, Sel and Mrs. Murray, Pat and Mrs. O'Shannessy, Jack and Mrs. Scott, Gordon and Mrs. Styles and Bern and Mrs. Waldron who received a happy visit from the stork. Every good wish to them all from Tiger supporters.

APPRECIATION

To Mr. Jack Chandler, junior, for placing his car at disposal of officials and for taking players to trains following games, and generally assisting in the training-room.

Mr. George Provan again played a big part in the sales of membership tickets with his own method of disposal which proves costly to himself but highly beneficial to the Club by increased sales. Also for his kindness in defraying portion of the cost of the entertainment of the party to Adelaide, a gesture sincerely appreciated by all.

Committeeman Les Goring for erecting cabinets in the property-room to assist in the storing of materials. Les is always ready to aid the Club and is another good friend who will take no payment for his services.

Whilst on his holidays in the City, former player Len Ablett made his services available to the Committee without any cost, and played four games with the Cubs when we had a long injured list. The experience of Len proved invaluable to the young players. He has also become a splendid coach in the North-East, coaching Myrtleford to many successes.

In all Patriotic and Charitable efforts, Mr. Dick Hohmuth, of Tattersalls Club, has been available to us and has given much time to helping in any way we desired. Dick is one of the finest spruikers in Victoria and his talents are always in demand. We are grateful to him for his aid.

Always keenly interested in the Tigers and most generous with his trophies, Mr. Stan Steele, father of player Captain Ray Steele, made available to President, Harry Dyke, a nice cheque to entertain the lads in Adelaide. This gesture did much to provide amusement for the party. We trust that Ray will soon be back home from service in New Guinea.

To Mr. Bert Gadsden for assisting with the carriage of many of Mr. Arthur Hunt's splendid trophies to the homes of the players, free of charge.

To Hon. L. H. McBrien, M.L.C., and to Mr. Eric McCutchan, Asst. Secretary, of the Victorian Football League and their staff for the assistance to us during 1945 and also the war years. We pay a tribute to the unfailing courtesy of both gentlemen and their advice when required.

To an old Tiger supporter but a newcomer to the training-room in Mr. Douglas Stewart, introduced to us by Mr. Jim Cook, R.C.C. Mr. Stewart made available several nice trophies to the players and also to the Trainers Social Club. We hope to see much more of this good sportsman.

To Assistant Secretary, Martin Bolger, who again did his utmost for Richmond and proved a capable assistant to the Secretary. Martin is also Minute Secretary of the Club and has now been connected with us for more than 16 years as a player and Vice-President.

Legal adviser to Richmond and our Chairman of Committees for a long period, Mr. Frank O'Brien is a decided asset to the Club. We thank him for his work which is of great benefit to the Tigers.

Mr. Matt Grealy, of Adelaide, for his entertainment of players and officials when they visit Adelaide.

To Colonel R. J. Wallis and Dr. Sanguinetti, Medical Superintendent of Prince Henry's Hospital, for their great help to Richmond.

To Mr. Eric Siggins, managing director of C. H. Greaser Pty. Ltd. (Maltie-Brits), for his continued assistance with advertising. Although a member of the Melbourne Cricket Club, Mr. Siggins is keenly interested in the Tigers.

Mr. Tom Crisp, of the R.C.C. and Patersons, Melbourne, has been a great friend with donations of trophies and advice on same to the players. We thank him sincerely, as we do Messrs. G. S.

(Stan) Moore and Fred Chatto of Foy and Gibsons, City. These gentlemen are a decided asset to Richmond, and ever ready to aid when needed.

To the sporting journalists of Melbourne and to football commentators of the wireless stations for the assistance they give our National game. The pressmen in particular are most helpful and the gossip of the training-room dealing with the players is given full publicity. We look forward to even better space in the coming season as with the end of the war there should be a lifting of the restrictions on newsprint. We are most grateful to all the pressmen of Melbourne handling football for their co-operation with our officials and for their help to Richmond generally.

Mr. Jack Jones is now the representative of the Committee to the Richmond Cricket Club and also the Second Eighteen. Jack is always in attendance at his meetings and keeps the Senior Committee well advised of matters relating to our mutual welfare.

To Mr. W. A. (Bill) Minter for further assistance to the Tigers in placing our players. Bill has always been active in the cause of the Tigers and we are certain he will continue this valued help.

To Messrs. P. J. Kennelly, Jack Smith, Martin Bolger, Les Goring, Jim Sheehan, and Jack Dyer for their help in recruiting of players. This work will be of utmost value to the Tigers in coming seasons as many young and promising players have been contacted, including a number of local lads. Mr. Jack Smith, a former Secretary, was of great assistance in reviewing junior games played in our District.

Leave from the Services continued to be a problem, and as a number of our players were stationed away from the City we had to seek the assistance of the officers of the Services to enable the players to take part in our games. We offer our sincere thanks to these gentlemen for the help they gave the Tigers during the years of the war.

We again express our deep appreciation to Messrs. Pat Kennelly and Ray Dunn for many gestures which greatly assisted us in the matter of administering the Club. Pat was able to see many players in country areas without cost to us, and his work as Chairman of Selectors was outstanding. He rarely missed a training night, and only one meeting of the Selection Committee for the whole year. Ray is a most valued member of the Executive and Finance Committees as well as being a V.F.L. delegate, and he also at times was a delegate to the Selection Committee to which he was a proxy delegate.

To Johnnie McMahon, of 3UZ, for assistance in organising the entertainment at the rooms. Johnnie is always ready to help the Tigers and as he rarely misses a game he has made personal friends of the players and committee.

Alex Salvado has been our transport officer for many years doing the work of transporting our gear to all visiting grounds. Alex takes the reserves to the Second Eighteen game when they are not required for the senior match. His trophies are also most acceptable to the players.

GENERAL

Once more the Club forwarded football tickets and covers to each of the nine local schools. Letters of appreciation were received from the scholars for this gesture. A number of other schol-

ars' tickets are distributed to several deserving institutions to the delight of children who are always anxious to see the Tigers play.

A number of pleasant Social Evenings were held at Richmond training-rooms by the Victorian Football League Trainers' Social Club to which officials of our Club were invited. The trainers continue to meet at our rooms, but one feature which is to be highly commended is the manner in which the trainers of each club entertain the visiting trainers after a game. A most progressive body, they deserve the highest praise for their efforts and for their work for our National game. In every Patriotic or Charitable effort you will find the training staffs first in with an offer to work and assist in an honorary capacity.

At the commencement of the 1945 season, we decided to organise a testimonial for that fine player, Dick Harris, who suffered a painful knee injury in the semi-finals of 1944. This was a success largely due to the excellent work of Messrs. Harry Dyke, Ray Dunn, Charlie Turner, Percy Langdon, Les Goring, and others at the Club. We wish to thank all who assisted and contributed to the appeal on behalf of Dick who is unable to thank each member personally. A nice feature of this appeal was the support received from other clubs, but in particular from our good friends at the Danish Club. We appreciate this support for the appeals made at Richmond.

A presentation is to be made to Jack Titus to celebrate his breaking of the record number of games played in senior football in Victoria, namely 306 held by Gordon Coventry. Jack also passed the 1,000 goal mark. The presentation will take the form of an address from all his former mates at Richmond. 1945 was also the 20th year in senior football of this great player. One year with Richmond Second Eighteen, 18 years with the Tigers, and one year with Coburg. A most remarkable performance by a grand player.

During the past year, the Cubs received permission from the Richmond Cricket Club to build a Committee-room and store-room in the visitors room. The cost of materials was defrayed by the Cricket Club and the Senior Committee, but the work of building the rooms was handled by the Cubs' Committee. The work was all honorary, and the result is a credit to the Second Eighteen and its willing workers. Already furnished and most comfortable, the first action of the Cubs was to hold a little social to which all who helped were invited. The second was to offer the rooms to the Senior Committee to use at any time desired for Club purposes, and this was appreciated. May the Cubs spend many happy hours in their new rooms.

A gesture appreciated at Richmond was the presentation by Mr Frank Tippet, Hon. Secretary, Carlton Recreation Ground, of a huge Tiger head to put in our rooms. This was gladly accepted, and has been installed already to the delight of the many children who visit our rooms from time to time. We express our appreciation to Mr. Tippet for his thought and kindly action.

SECRETARY'S APPRECIATION

It has been my great pleasure to have been your Honorary Secretary for the past six years. During that period I have enjoyed the whole-hearted co-operation of all officials, players and staff of the Club. The six years have all been war years with numerous difficulties confronting us in the administration of a football team. Thanks to the sacrifices made by those at the Club we have had our fair share of the success of those years in winning a premier-

ship, three times runners-up, once fourth, and last season in seventh position, the first time out of the four in that period.

I wish to express my appreciation to all who made that success possible. Our loyal members rally each season supplying the finance to administer the Club; the Committee, the players and the training staff have all played their part. In particular I would like to express my gratitude to our President, Mr. Harry Dyke, who has been more like a co-Secretary than our leader. Harry is always available for consultation and advice on the many contentious matters to be faced in the football world; to Treasurer, Charlie Turner, Coach Jack Dyer, Messrs. P. J. Kennelly, R. H. Dunn, F. E. O'Brien, and by no means least, that great worker for Richmond Charlie Callander.

On behalf of Richmond I welcome back from the Services our former players, committeemen, trainers, and members and thank them for the sacrifices they made for us. They have brought the war to a successful conclusion and we are proud of them.

In compiling a report, it is always possible to miss someone who has helped. May I express my thanks to all who worked and helped us during the war. In conclusion, I ask for at least 5,000 members in 1946. We have sufficient followers to ensure that many members. Let us work to gain that objective.

MAURIE FLEMING,

Honorary Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S ADDENDUM

Once again, on behalf of the Committee and Members, I wish to express our very sincere thanks to Maurie Fleming, our capable Secretary. Maurie's hard work on behalf of the Club, during the past season, certainly deserved better results. I am unable to express in words our very deep appreciation of his wonderful efforts for our Club and it is my sincere hope that Maurie will carry on the good work for many years to come.

To our Treasurer, Committee, Coach, and Training Staff, for their good work and splendid co-operation during the season, I can only say thanks.

HARRY DYKE

LIFE MEMBERS

The club's Life Membership list is as follows:—J. J. Stewart, 1897; A. McNair, 1905; A. Edmond, 1908; J. H. James, 1915; W. H. Lohse, 1916; B. V. Herbert, P. H. Maybury, 1917; S. W. Reeves, 1919; C. H. Hall, D. Henry, 1920; A. Aarons, T. Delaney, 1921; A. J. Bettles, 1922; F. V. Hughes, 1923; F. Harley, 1924; D. Don, J. Smith, 1926; H. Dyke E. Taylor, 1927; D. Hayes, 1928; W. H. Gosch, 1929; W. T. Higginbotham, J. J. Smith, 1930; P. Page, 1931; W. Baker, B. D. Edmond, 1932; H. Cox, L. Cameron, 1933; P. Bentley, A. Geddes, T. O'Halloran, B. McCormack, 1934; F. O'Brien, J. Titus, 1935; J. Murdoch, 1937; M. E. Sheahan, M. Hunter, 1938; M. Bolger, K. O'Neill, 1939; J. Dyer, R. Martin, 1940; A. H. Daws, C. Callander, 1941; J. M. Fleming, C. E. Turner, 1942; R. Harris, J. Symons, 1943; P. C. Langdon, G. Smeaton, 1944; J. H. Jones, E. Saunders, 1945.

RESULT OF MATCHES, 1945

Richmond			Rich. Score			Oppon. Score			
Date	Versus		Result	G.	B.	Pts.	G.	B.	Pts.
First Round—									
April	21	Footscray	Lost	14	11	95	16	9	105
"	28	Nth. Melbourne ..	Won	8	17	65	7	18	60
May	5	Sth. Melbourne ..	Lost	13	11	89	15	19	109
"	12	Melbourne ..	Won	13	7	85	9	11	65
"	19	Hawthorn ..	Won	20	11	131	15	7	97
"	26	Essendon ..	Won	12	11	83	9	17	71
June	2	Carlton ..	Won	13	16	94	12	17	89
"	9	St. Kilda ..	Won	16	15	111	13	6	84
"	16	Collingwood ..	Lost	8	13	61	13	12	90
"	23	Fitzroy ..	Won	13	11	89	12	14	86
"	30	Geelong ..	Won	14	28	112	8	8	56
July	7	Footscray ..	Lost	11	8	74	15	12	102
"	14	Nth. Melbourne ..	Won	18	10	118	15	9	99
"	21	Sth. Melbourne ..	Lost	10	17	77	14	11	95
"	28	Melbourne ..	Won	13	14	92	11	13	79
Aug.	4	Hawthorn ..	Lost	15	15	105	19	7	121
"	11	Essendon ..	Lost	10	13	73	14	22	106
"	18	Carlton ..	Lost	12	9	81	13	15	93
"	25	St. Kilda ..	Won	13	22	100	7	6	48
Sept.	1	Collingwood ..	Lost	8	19	67	12	15	87
				254	278	1802	249	248	1742

Summary: Matches played, 20. Won 11, Lost 9.
Position on Final List: Seventh.

GOALKICKERS, SEASONS 1944 AND 1945

1944		1945		1944		1945	
Burge, F.	10	55	Cook, F.	10	1		
Murray, S.	—	49	Oppy, M.	4	1		
Fraser, D.	—	30	Maguire, L.	—	1		
Wilson, W.	20	22	Randall, B.	20	1		
Bawden, R.	26	21	Scott, J.	2	1		
Dyer, J.	36	16	Balfour, D.	—	1		
Mooney, A.	13	14	Negri, D.	—	1		
Ross, N.	—	10	Harris, R.	63	—		
Morris, W.	12	8	Curran, K.	23	—		
Merrett, L.	13	6	Taylor, L.	17	—		
Smith, L.	—	5	Quinn, R.	6	—		
Bower, R.	4	4	Edwards, B.	5	—		
Broadstock, J.	8	3	Deagan, K.	2	—		
Waldron, B.	8	2	Cook, K.	1	—		
Potter, R.	—	2	Jones, L.	1	—		
			Smeaton, G.	1	—		
				305	254		

Jack Dyer has kicked 251 goals in 15 seasons.

RESULT OF MATCHES PLAYED BY RICHMOND SINCE

JOINING THE V.F.L.

Against	Won	Lost	Tied	Played
Carlton	32	50	—	82
Collingwood	30	49	1	80
Essendon	39	32	1	72
Fitzroy	38	36	—	74
Footscray	26	9	1	36
Geelong	40	28	2	70
Hawthorn	31	6	—	37
Melbourne	42	24	1	67
North Melbourne	29	4	—	33
South Melbourne	34	35	1	70
St. Kilda	43	18	—	61
	384	291	7	682

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCES

General Committee (19 Meetings held):—H. J. Dyke 19, J. M. Fleming 19, C. E. Turner 19, M. J. Bolger 17, R. H. Dunn 17, J. H. Jones 19, P. J. Kennelly 12, F. E. O'Brien 14, J. M. Sheehan (leave of absence) 8, C. Callander 8, R. Harris 7, R. Healey 19, L. J. Goring 18, P. C. Langdon 19, W. A. Quinn 17, J. J. Smith 8, J. Titus (leave of absence) 4, R. Bawden 7, J. Dyer 12, B. Edwards 9, L. Sinclair 15, W. Smith (proxy) 2, J. Joyce 17, C. Ford (proxy) 2, and W. Morris (players' proxy delegate) 7.

Finance and Executive Committees (7 Meetings held):—F. E. O'Brien 7, H. J. Dyke 7, M. J. Bolger 6, R. H. Dunn 6, J. M. Fleming 7, P. J. Kennelly 6, C. E. Turner 7.

Selection Committee (25 Meetings held):—P. J. Kennelly 24, H. J. Dyke 15, R. Harris 11, J. Titus 9, R. H. Dunn 9, J. Dyer 24, B. Edwards 18.

FIVE, TEN, FIFTEEN-YEAR PLAYERS

Fifteen Years:

1923—H. James. 1924—V. Thorp (16 years). 1939—P. Bentley (16 years). 1940—J. Titus (18 years). 1945—J. Dyer.

Ten Years:

1919—B. V. Herbert, P. Maybury, S. Reeves. 1921—C. H. Hall. 1923—F. V. Hughes. 1924—F. Harley. 1926—J. Smith, D. Don. 1934—A. Geddes, B. McCormack, T. O'Halloran. 1935—J. Titus. 1936—J. Murdoch. 1939—K. O'Neill, M. Bolger. 1940—J. Dyer, R. Martin. 1943—R. Harris, J. Symons.

Five Years:

1913—E. Ohlsen, W. Mahoney, R. Bowden, G. Gibson. 1914—F. McCashney, F. Love. 1916—D. J. Moffatt. 1918—A. J. Bettles, R. T. Hede. 1919—H. Allessio, L. Burke, A. Danks, E. Keggin, W. Thomas. 1920—G. Bayliss. 1921—M. Hislop, R. Weatherill. 1923—G. Weatherill. 1924—F. Huggard, J. Karthaus, N. McIntosh, D. Min-

ogue, E. Taylor. 1925—M. Morris. 1926—D. Hayes. 1927—A. Mc-Isaac, G. Rudolph. 1929—D. Lynch. 1930—R. Empey, D. Harris, H. Weidner, K. Millar. 1931—J. Baggott, C. Watson. 1932—W. Benton, B. Foster, S. Judkins. 1933—M. Hunter, M. Sheahan. 1934—E. Zschech. 1935—J. Dyer, R. Martin, G. and D. Strang. 1938—J. Symons, D. Guinane, R. Harris, R. Chergwin. 1939—G. Smeaton, J. Cotter. 1940—I. Hull, N. Dickson. 1941—J. Crane, M. O'Connell. 1942—B. Edwards, C. Priestley. 1943—L. Ablett, R. Bawden, J. Scott. 1944—L. Merrett, W. Perkins, B. Waldron. 1945—L. Maguire, B. Randall, L. Smith.

PLAYERS IN PREMIERSHIP MATCHES, SEASON 1945

	First Played	Matches 1945	Total Matches Played
Balfour, D.	1945	5	5
Barnewall, K.	1945	4	4
Bawden, R.	1939	16	107
Benson, D.	1945	3	3
Bower, R.	1944	6	11
Broadstock, J.	1943	11	25
Burge, F.	1942	20	34
Cartwright, S.	1945	6	6
Cook, F.	1944	15	32
Cook, K.	1944	9	21
Curran, K.	1943	2	15
Doherty, N.	1943	1	8
Dyer, J.	1931	19	240
Edwards, B.	1938	11	122
Fraser, D.	1945	19	19
Hull, I.	1936	6	103
Kemp, A.	1943	8	29
Maguire, L.	1941	15	64
Merrett, L.	1940	18	100
Mooney, A.	1943	16	32
Morris, W.	1942	15	38
Murray, S.	1945	12	12
Negri, D.	1945	2	2
Oppy, M.	1942	17	61
Perkins, W.	1940	18	82
Potter, R.	1945	1	1
Priestley, C.	1938	20	85
Randall, B.	1941	5	50
Ross, N.	1945	10	10
Russell, W.	1942	4	10
Scott, J.	1939	2	86
Smeaton, G.	1935	3	134
Smith, L.	1939	9	65
Styles, G.	1942	6	15
Turner, J.	1945	1	1
Waldron, B.	1940	18	84
Wiggins, R.	1945	7	7
Wilson, W.	1944	15	27

Thirty-eight players, including eleven first year players, participated in premiership games during the 1945 season.

LIST OF DONORS FOR SEASON 1945

R. L. Beatty	£10	10	0	Hec. Haslem	£1	1	0
Fred Armfield	5	5	0	F. G. Hewett	1	1	0
Bryant & May Pty. Ltd.	5	5	0	H. J. Heinz & Co.	1	1	0
Carl. & United Brew.	5	5	0	T. Howard Jackett	1	1	0
Denzil Don	5	5	0	L. E. Jacques & Co.	1	1	0
C. W. Ruwolt	5	5	0	W. King	1	1	0
Eli Phillips	5	0	0	T. Kenny	1	1	0
Tom Sherrin	5	0	0	Jas. Kemp	1	1	0
Johnnie Smith	5	0	0	Bob Knapp	1	1	0
Ernie King	3	3	0	Jas. Kennon & Sons	1	1	0
Mrs. I. A. Mulcahy	3	3	0	W. Lambert	1	1	0
W. S. Nutt	3	3	0	R. L. Lean	1	1	0
George Provan	3	3	0	Ft./Lt. Derwent Lewis	1	1	0
Oscar Shilton	3	3	0	Love & Pollard & Co.	1	1	0
S. C. Steele	3	3	0	W. McGuinness	1	1	0
Dan Whelan	3	3	0	E. McCauley	1	1	0
A. Challingsworth, Co.	2	2	0	Joe McDonald	1	1	0
M. Hanley	2	2	0	Alan Newton	1	1	0
Fred Hesse	2	2	0	Reg Philpott	1	1	0
Lyke-Nu Cleaning Co.	2	2	0	Dave Prince	1	1	0
Wing Com. McBride	2	2	0	Pelaco Ltd.	1	1	0
Alan Murray	2	2	0	Preservene Pty. Ltd.	1	1	0
Matt O'Donohue	2	2	0	G. W. J. Reynolds	1	1	0
Clarrie Robertson	2	2	0	H. A. Rogers & Co.	1	1	0
Richmond Brewing Co.	2	2	0	Stanley Rogers	1	1	0
R. J. Turnbull	2	2	0	Rosella Pres. Co.	1	1	0
Jas. Tweedie & Co.	2	2	0	Hon. J. H. Scullin, M.P.	1	1	0
R. Werner & Co.	2	2	0	Cr. M. P. Sheehy	1	1	0
George Caldis	2	0	0	Les Sinclair	1	1	0
C. H. Manchester	2	0	0	J. M. Swan	1	1	0
Dave Walsh	2	0	0	Sutex Co.	1	1	0
Wm. Horsfall & Co.	1	11	6	John Sutherland & Co.	1	1	0
A. Aarons	1	1	0	Mrs. N. Taylor	1	1	0
L. Arthur & Co.	1	1	0	Col. R. J. Wallis	1	1	0
Roy Allison	1	1	0	A. Whitaker	1	1	0
A. Asher & Co.	1	1	0	D. Weatherston	1	1	0
Sir Frank Beaurepaire	1	1	0	Leo Bahen	1	0	0
Pierce Beary	1	1	0	C. E. Boyles	1	0	0
Cr. E. Boland	1	1	0	Percy Ellingsen	1	0	0
C. E. Boyles	1	1	0	Bill Flynn	1	0	0
Con Curtain	1	1	0	Hughie James	1	0	0
D. S. Campbell	1	1	0	Hon. John Madden	1	0	0
Dimmey's Stores	1	1	0	Henry Stokes	1	0	0
Hon. T. D'Alton	1	1	0	Smith Mitchell & Co.	1	0	0
Jas. Dickson & Co.	1	1	0	J. Chandler, Snr.	10	6	
Bob Ellis	1	1	0	R. Kelly	10	6	
Noel Foster	1	1	0	R. Lean	10	6	
A. French	1	1	0	N. Rasmussen	10	6	
J. Hubball	1	1	0	K. M. Steel Co.	8	6	

Total £172 15 0

CLUB OFFICIALS AND ACHIEVEMENTS SINCE ADMISSION TO LEAGUE

Year	President	Secretary	Treasurer	Captain	Highest Goal Kicker	For Gls.	For Blds.	Against Gls.	Against Blds.	Position
1908	G. H. Bennett, M.L.A.	A. Manzie	A. McNair	C. Pannam	W. Bourke (24)	128	172	178	207	Ninth
1909	F. G. Tudor, M.H.R.	"	"	J. Lawson	W. Bourke (20)	112	153	179	209	Eighth
1910	"	"	"	R. Condon	M. Maguire (20)	127	175	121	186	Seventh
1911	"	"	"	W. Schmidt	M. Maguire (29)	122	199	138	193	Eighth
1912	"	G. P. Beachcroft	J. Macdermott	L. Incigneri	E. Keggins (24)	115	173	184	229	Ninth
1913	"	W. H. Lohse	J. H. Archer	E. Ohlsen	P. Martyn (32)	143	176	150	190	Seventh
1914	"	"	"	H. James	C. Hall (32)	143	226	143	219	Eighth
1915	"	"	"	"	C. Hall (25)	126	150	158	216	Sixth
1916	"	"	"	W. Thomas	P. Martyn (22)	120	139	131	170	Fourth
1917	"	W. A. Maybury	"	P. H. Maybury	C. Fehring (14)	104	138	127	192	Sixth
1918	"	"	"	C. H. Hall	D. Don (19)	96	176	117	155	Sixth
1919	A. Wood	"	"	D. T. Minogue	D. Don (31)	172	251	148	210	Runners-up
1920	"	"	A. Aarons	"	G. Bayliss (63)	202	223	143	154	Premiers
1921	"	"	"	"	G. Bayliss (53)	188	222	149	226	Premiers
1922	"	"	"	"	G. Bayliss (32)	146	163	154	204	Fifth
1923	"	"	"	"	D. Fraser (18)	121	180	156	202	Eighth
1924	J. H. Archer	Perc. Page	J. D. Langdon	"	M. Morris (44)	172	250	160	222	Runners-up
1925	"	"	"	M. Morris	M. Morris (25)	132	189	158	183	Seventh
1926	"	"	"	A. Geddes	D. Lynch (31)	186	261	214	211	Seventh
1927	"	"	"	"	J. Baggott (37)	218	270	164	219	Runners-up
1928	"	"	"	C. Lilburne	J. Baggott (61)	253	303	195	218	Runners-up
1929	"	"	"	A. Geddes	J. Titus (54)	277	311	235	220	Runners-up
1930	"	"	"	M. Hunter	J. Titus (50)	214	257	175	207	Fourth
1931	"	"	"	P. Bentley	D. Strang (68)	247	292	174	243	Runners-up
1932	B. V. Herbert	J. J. Smith	"	"	D. Strang (49)	242	290	174	244	Premiers
1933	"	"	"	"	D. Strang (51)	281	249	206	241	Runners-up
1934	"	"	"	"	J. Titus (80)	266	284	206	235	Premiers
1935	"	"	"	"	J. Titus (83)	253	245	215	247	Third
1936	H. L. Roberts	"	G. B. Smith	"	J. Titus (83)	239	230	225	200	Fifth
1937	"	"	C. E. Turner	"	J. Titus (65)	244	252	225	207	Fourth
1938	"	"	"	"	J. Titus (72)	253	220	219	249	Sixth
1939	B. V. Herbert	M. E. Sheahan	"	"	J. Titus (48)	245	316	220	221	Fourth
1940	H. J. Dyke	J. M. Fleming	"	J. Dyer	J. Titus (100)	285	252	238	269	Runners-up
1941	"	"	"	"	J. Titus (87)	255	265	227	242	Fourth
1942	"	"	"	"	J. Titus (67)	278	267	213	232	Runners-up
1943	"	"	"	"	R. Harris (63)	234	274	193	214	Premiers
1944	"	"	"	"	R. Harris (63)	305	285	236	256	Runners-up
1945	"	"	"	"	F. Burge (55)	254	278	249	248	Seventh
Totals						7498	8783	6911	8190	